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1. [] Harry Symmes, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for Congressional Relations, called today and said John Morks, Executive Assistant to Senator Clifford P. Case, had needled them as to when the Director was going to brief Senator Case on CIA operations [] This question was raised by Senator Case in a letter to the Secretary a short time ago and it was agreed by the Director at that time that he would talk to the Senator personally about this. I explained to Symmes that the Director had this very much on his mind and planned to speak to Case after first talking with Senator Stennis. I suggested to Symmes that he inform Morks that the Director had made this agreement and undoubtedly would be in touch with the Senator about it upon his return. Symmes said this would be a very satisfactory response for them.

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2. [] Colgate Prentice, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for Congressional Relations, called. He said State has been asked for their views on the Church bill (S. 1887) comparable to the Badillo bill to bar the Agency from participating in certain types of military or paramilitary operations. Prentice said their preliminary decision was to take a "no comment" position, deferring to the Agency, but he said they were willing to help us out on this if we wished. I told him that I was not sure the Agency would feel it should make substantive comments on the bill but that a consensus should be reached in consultation with OMB as to who would express an Administration position on the bill. Prentice said he would await further word from us. (This is a matter that should probably be discussed with OMB and perhaps in a Legislative Interdepartmental Group meeting.)

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3. [] Called William Woodruff, Counsel, Senate Appropriations Committee, who said he had received from OMB late last evening the language which it was agreed would be placed in the Continuing Resolution to appropriate funds to USIA for interim financing of the Radios. This had been worked out between Woodruff, Clark MacGregor (of the White House) and James Frey (of OMB). Woodruff pointed out that he had an absolute agreement with OMB that there would be no further CIA funding of the Radios. He also said that the duration of the Continuing Resolution is through 6 August 1971.

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4. [] George Murphy, Joint Committee on Atomic Energy staff, called and asked for information on the relative comparisons of various computers including the ICL-1906A. He said he would also like a statement as to the strategic use of the 1906A. He said this material would not be attributed to the Agency and [] OER, is preparing this.

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6. [] Hand carried Legislative Counsel's response to Representative Charles E. Bennett (D., Fla.) concerning retirement questions raised by [] Mr. Richard Sewell, Administrative Assistant to Representative Bennett, said that he would forward the response on to [] and noted that our letter was "pretty final" with regard to the question of eligibility of CIARDS. If further question is raised by [] Mr. Sewell will be back in touch with us.

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